INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

(Not for submission under 37 CFR 1.99)

Application Number	10/571,993		
Confirmation Number	5590		
Filing Date	March 15, 2006		
First Named Inventor	Hiroyuki Nakamura		
Art Unit	3728		
Examiner Name	Pagan, Jenine Marie		
Attorney Docket Number	0112119		

U.S. PATENTS						
Examiner Initials*	Cite No	Patent Number	Kind Code ¹	Issue Date	Name of Patentee or Applicant of cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
1/J.P./		5,163,557		11/17/1992	Sokolowski	
V		4,989,733		2/5/1991	Patry	
/J.Ř./		6,372,313		4/16/2002	D'Alessio et al	
			-			
			-			
			+			

U.S. PATENT APPLICATION PUBLICATIONS						
Examiner Cite No Publication Number Kind Code Publication Date Name of Patentee or Where Relevant Passag						Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear

	FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS							
Examiner Initials*	Cite No	Foreign Document Number ³	Country Code ²	Kind Code ⁴	Publication Date	Name of Patentee or Applicant of cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	т⁵
/J.P./	1	10-086977	JP		4/7/1998	Sekisui Chemical Co., Ltd.		
	2							
	3							
	4							
	5							

	NON-PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS					
Examiner Initials*	Cite No	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city, and/or country where published.	T ⁵			

EXAMINER SIGNATURE					
Examiner Signature	/Jenine Pagan/	Date Considered	04/29/2009		

^{*}EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through a citation if not in conformance and not considered include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

^{1.} See Kind Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.USPTO GOV or MPEP 901.04.2 Enter office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reging or the Emprove must proceed the serial instance of the patent document. 4 Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. 5 Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language translation is attached.